AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

IN THE CLAIMS

Please revise the claims by canceling claims 1, 2, 4 - 15, 17 - 23, 25 - 27, and 29, amending claims 3, 16, 24, and 28, and adding new claims 30 - 38, as follows:

Claims 1 and 2. (Canceled).

3. (Currently amended). An ink composition, comprising:

about 5 to about 50 percent by weight of at least one optically variable pigment; The ink composition as claimed in claim 1 wherein said optically variable pigment comprises a mica substrate, at least one titanium dioxide layer, and at least one inorganic coloring layer;

at least one binder; and

water, wherein:

said at least one optically variable pigment and said at least one binder are combined with said water to form a water-based ink;

said water-based ink is formulated to enable said water-based ink to be used in flexographic printing processes; and

said water-based ink has a viewing angle dependent color shift between at least a first color and a second color.

Claims 4 - 15 (Canceled).

16. (Currently amended) An ink composition, comprising:

about 5 to about 50 percent by weight of at least one optically variable pigment;

at least one binder; and

water, wherein:

said at least one optically variable pigment and said at least one binder are combined with said water to form a water-based ink;

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said water-based ink is formulated to enable said water-based ink to be used in flexographic printing processes; and

said water-based ink has a viewing angle dependent color shift between at least a first color and a second color; and

The ink composition as claimed in claim 1 further comprising at least one fluorescent dye.

Claims 17 - 23 (Canceled).

24. (Currently amended) A method of providing security information, comprising: providing a water-based ink comprising:

about 5 to about 50 percent by weight of at least one optically variable pigment;

at least one binder; and

water;

printing at least a portion of a substrate with said water-based ink utilizing flexographic printing, wherein:

said portion of said substrate printed with said water-based ink displays a viewing angle dependent color shift between at least a first color and a second color;

said portion of said substrate printed with said water-based ink comprises
security information; and said security information is not reproducible via
photocopying; and

The method as claimed in claim-17-further comprising printing said substrate utilizing laser printing subsequent to printing at least a portion of said substrate with said water-based ink wherein said security information remains intact during said laser printing.

Claims 25 - 27 (Canceled).

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28. (Currently amended) A method of providing security information, comprising: providing a water-based ink comprising:

about 10 to about 20 percent by weight of at least one optically variable pigment, wherein said at least one optically variable pigment comprises a Dynacolor® pigment a mica substrate, at least one titanium dioxide layer, and at least one inorganic coloring layer;

at least one binder; and

about 70 to about 80 percent by weight water;

printing at least a portion of a substrate with said water-based ink utilizing flexographic printing, wherein:

said portion of said substrate printed with said water-based ink displays a viewing angle dependent color shift between at least a first color and a second color;

said portion of said substrate printed with said water-based ink comprises security information; and

said security information is not reproducible via a photocopier.

Claim 29 (Canceled).

- 30. (New) The method as claimed in claim 24 wherein said at least one optically variable pigment comprises about 10 to about 20 percent by weight of said water-based ink.
- 31. (New) The method as claimed in claim 24 wherein said substrate comprises a paper substrate.
- 32. (New) The method as claimed in claim 24 wherein said substrate comprises a plastic substrate.

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33. (New) The method as claimed in claim 24 wherein said substrate comprises a security

document.

34. (New) The method as claimed in claim 24 wherein said water-based ink is printed on said

substrate such that said substrate is spot-coated.

35. (New) The method as claimed in claim 24 wherein said water-based ink is printed on said

substrate such that said substrate is flood coated.

36. (New) The method as claimed in claim 24 wherein said water-based ink is printed on said

substrate such that at least one indicia is formed thereon.

37. (New) The method as claimed in claim 24 wherein said substrate comprises a security

document selected from a check, a money order, a certificate, an auto title, a bearer bond, a

stamp, a postal order, and a lottery tickets.

38. (New) The method as claimed in claim 24 wherein said substrate comprises a check.

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